Mountain Weather Forecast

Brecon Beacons National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 18 Jan 2023 until 23:59 on Thursday 19 Jan 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 18 Jan 2023 at 02:04

Confidence: High for the cold conditions continuing through the next few days then a transition to milder weather over the weekend. The details and timing of the transition will be the main forecasting challenge.

Headline for Wednesday 18 Jan 2023: Bright spells and occasional snow showers. Breezy and very cold.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 18 Jan 2023

Blizzards Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** High Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow showers (night)	Light snow showers	Light snow showers	Light snow showers	Light snow showers (night)	Light snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability					
50%	40%	30%	30%	30%	30%

Forecast for Wednesday 18 Jan 2023

Weather: Clear or sunny spells and occasional snow showers, the showers mainly across the western side of the National Park. The odd one could be heavy but will tend to become less frequent by the afternoon. Feeling bitterly cold.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 40% becoming 60% in the afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility between showers. Suddenly very poor as snow showers come through with patchy cloud and fog above 500 or 600m but becoming less frequent late in the day.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	18/23 NW	16/22 NW	21/28 NW	16/21 NW	15/20 NW	14/20 NW	12/18 NW
300	8/19 W	7/17 NW	9/20 NW	8/17 NW	7/16 W	7/16 W	6/14 W
Valley	7/18 W	6/16 NW	9/20 NW	7/16 W	7/16 W	7/17 W	6/14 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	-2/-9	-2/-8	-1/-8	-1/-7	-2/-8	-2/-7	-2/-8
300	-0/-4	-0/-4	1/-3	2/-2	0/-3	-0/-4	-1/-4
Valley	0/-3	0/-3	2/-1	2/-1	1/-2	0/-3	-0/-4
Freezing Level*	200m	200m	400m	400m	300m	300m	200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Feeling bitterly cold, especially in exposure to the strong northwesterly breeze above 600m. Wind speeds on summits and ridges could be up to 10mph higher than indicated above.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Wed 18 Jan 2023	0.2mm	0.2mm	1.2mm

Forecast for Thursday 19 Jan 2023

Weather: Clear spells overnight with wintry showers dying out and a widespread frost developing. A mainly dry and bright day but some thicker cloud, generally staying above the summits.

Maximum wind: West or Northwest 10-15mph, gusts 15-20mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 90%.

Low cloud and visibility: Mainly very good visibility. A few patches of low cloud towards summits, mainly early in the day.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Minus 4C rising to 2 or 3C.
At 600m: Minus 4C rising to Minus 1C during daytime.
Freezing level: Valley level, rising to 400m during daytime.

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